AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Original) A neutron shielding material composition comprising a hydrogenated bisphenol resin, a curing agent component, a density-increasing agent and a boron compound.
- 2. (Original) A neutron shielding material composition comprising a hydrogenated bisphenol epoxy represented by the following structural formula (1):

wherein each of R1 to R4 is independently selected from the group consisting of CH3, H, F, Cl and Br, and n is from 0 to 2;

a curing agent component having at least one ring structure and a plurality of amino groups;

a density-increasing agent; and a boron compound.

3. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to claim 1[[-or 2]], further comprising one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of a compound represented by the structural formulas (2), (3), (6) and (9):

$$R_{5}-0 \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow H$$

$$(2)$$

wherein R5 is a C1-10 alkyl group or H, and n is from 1 to 24;

$$(CH_2)_{\overline{n}} 0 - C$$

$$(3)$$

wherein n is from 1 to 8;

wherein each of R9 to R12 is independently selected from the group consisting of CH3, H, F, Cl and Br, and n is from 0 to 2; and

$$0 \longrightarrow CH_2 - 0 \longrightarrow CH \longrightarrow 0$$
 (9)

4. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to any of <u>claim 1 claims 1 to 3</u>, comprising, as the curing agent component, a compound represented by the structural formula (4):

$$H_2N \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow NH_2$$
 (4)

5. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to any of <u>claim 1</u> claims 1 to 4, wherein the curing agent component comprises one or more of compounds represented by the structural formulas (5) and (8):

$$H_2N-CH_2$$
 CH_2-NH_2 (5)

and

$$R_{6}-N = CR_{8}$$

$$R_{6}-N = N$$

$$C = R_{7}$$

$$(8)$$

wherein R6, R7 and R8 each is independently a C1-18 alkyl group or H.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claim 1 claims 1 to 5, further comprising a filler.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to any of <u>claim 1 claims 1 to 6</u>, further comprising a refractory material.
- 8. (Original) The neutron shielding material composition according to claim 7, wherein the refractory material comprises at least one of magnesium hydroxide and aluminum hydroxide.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The neutron shielding material composition according to any of <u>claim 1 claims 1 to 8</u>, wherein the density-increasing agent is a metal powder having a density of 5.0 to 22.5 g/cm3, a metal oxide powder having a density of 5.0 to 22.5 g/cm3, or a combination thereof.

- 10. (Currently Amended) A neutron shielding material obtainable from the neutron shielding material composition according to any of claim 1 claims 1 to 9.
- 11. (Original) A neutron shielding container obtainable from the neutron shielding material composition according to claim 10.